GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2943
ANSWERED ON:15.03.2016
Release of Funds under RGKA
Meghwal Shri Arjun Ram

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals from State Governments to release funds for meeting the expenses for conducting women sports competition under the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan (RGKA);
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c)whether the Government also proposes to provide funds for infrastructure facilities under the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)
(a) to (d) The RGKA Scheme provides for construction of an integrated sports complex in each block of the country both for outdoor and indoor sports disciplines. It also provides for central assistance for sports equipment. The RGKA Scheme also provides for grant-in-aid for holding competitions, viz, Rural Competitions, Women Competitions, North East Games and Competitions in Left Wing Extremism Affected Areas at various levels, i.e., block, district, State and National levels.
Details of funds released for meeting the expenses for conducting women sports competition under the RGKA against proposals received from States is given in Annexure − I.
The Scheme was evolved to provide for funding of infrastructure component through convergence of various Schemes implemented by Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Ministry of Development of North East Region, and erstwhile Planning Commission. However, no funds could be obtained due to non-convergence of various Schemes by the concerned Ministries. Therefore, no funds have been released for construction of block level sports complex under RGKA. In the meantime, it has been decided to restructure and merge a number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes, including the RGKA, into one Central Sector Scheme for better implementation.
*****